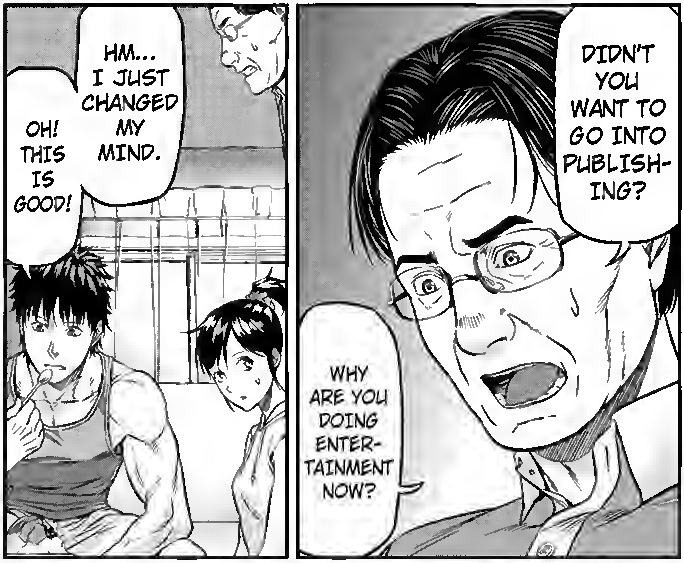

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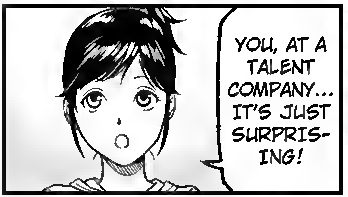

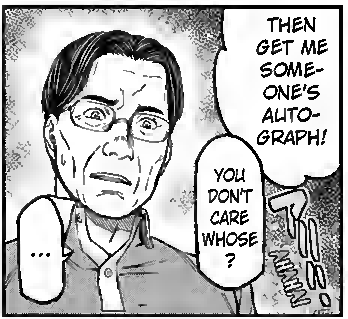

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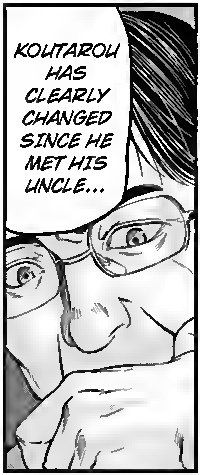
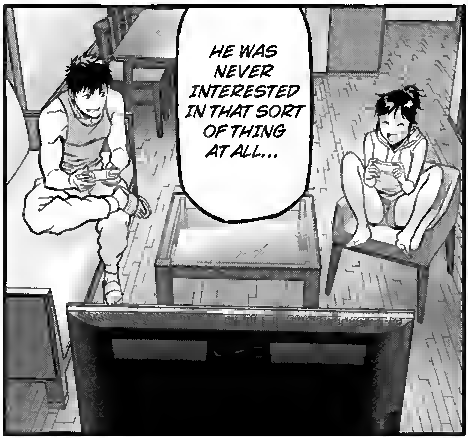
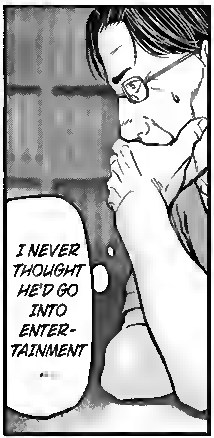
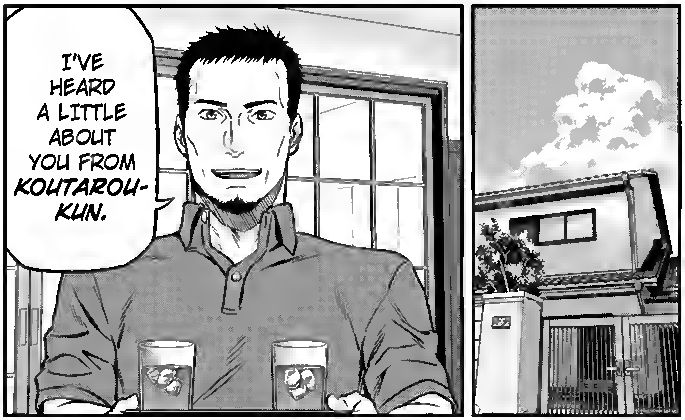
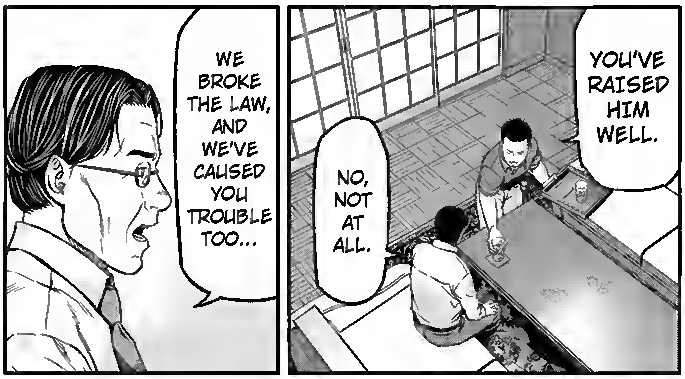

KOUTAROU HAS CLEARLY CHANGED SINCE HE MET HIS UNCLE...


HE WAS NEVER INTERESTED IN THAT SORT OF THING AT ALL...


I NEVER THOUGHT HE'D GO INTO ENTER-TAINMENT...

MY LECTURE TOMORROW DOESN'T START UNTIL THE AFTERNOON...


I'VE HEARD A LITTLE ABOUT YOU FROM KOUTAROU-KUN.


WE BROKE THE LAW, AND WE'VE CAUSED YOU TROUBLE TOO...
NO, NOT AT ALL.
YOU'VE RAISED HIM WELL.

NOT AT ALL! I THANK YOU, IN MY BROTHER'S STEAD.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO!
SO... WHAT DID HE LEARN ...
WHEN HE CAME HERE?
SIGH
HOW CAN I SAY THIS...
PLEASE.
PLEASE ...

SCRATCH
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THERE IS... A POSSIBILITY THAT MY BROTHER AND HIS FAMILY WERE MURDERED.
IT'S JUST A POSSI-BILITY, THOUGH ...
THERE WAS A CONNECTION BETWEEN MY BROTHER AND A CERTAIN ENTERTAIN-MENT COMPANY...
!

IT CAN'T BE! IS IT AKATSUKI PRODUC-TIONS?!
HUH? SO YOU KNOW...
...
...KU-ROKI-SAN?
PRO-FESSOR KUROKI ?
WHAT'S WRONG, PROFES-SOR?

BUT YOU SAID YOUR FIRST CHOICE WAS K. PUBLISHING!
YEAH... I THOUGHT ABOUT IT A LOT, AND I DECIDED AGAINST IT.
WHY?!

HUH? AKATSUKI PRO?!
REALLY?!

ビク!!
FLINCH

WHY?
I THINK...
I'D RATHER WORK SOMEWHERE MORE INTERESTING.

AH, I'D RATHER NOT...
OH...
LET'S GET SOME BEER TO CELEBRATE THE OCCASION, SHINOBU.
HUH?
EXCUSE ME! WE'RE READY TO ORDER!
RIGHT AWAY, SIR!
WHAT'S UP WITH HIM?

FINALLY
...
HIS LONELY BATTLE
FOR THE TRUTH BEGINS!